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1. General data on installations in Prievidza:

- (a) Apart from the district army headquarters, which has only a few officers, there is no garrison in Prievidza.
- (b) In the autumn of 1960 the construction of a new airfield for jet aircraft was begun. By 1961 it was not yet in operation.
- (c) In 1960, the technical battalion stationed in Handlova and working in the mines and on construction of new installations was withdrawn. The former CO, Major Loch, fnu, was transferred to Novaky, where there is a small unit of about 50 men at the W. Pieck Chemical Works.
- (d) In 1958-9 the army fuel depot in the Horni Stubna area, at the Vrutky - Prievidza - Hronska Dubrava railway junction, was rebuilt.

2. New garrison at Sklene:

- (a) A small unit with infantry badges appeared in 1961 at Sklene, about 7 km. northeast of Handlova (military area). The unit built some installations on wooded hilly terrain about 3 km. south of Sklene. This military area, although not marked, is guarded. It lies east of the Handlova - Horni Stubna railway line, about level with the village of Remata, in exceptionally inaccessible hilly terrain about 670 - 800 m. high.

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- (b) The men guarding the area have built underground bunkers which are very well camouflaged, and since access to the area is not forbidden, any civilians entering the wooded area are checked and told to leave, as it is a military area.

Attachment: Sketch locating new military installation near Handlova.



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